



TOWN OF ELLINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 15, 2008

Members Present: Daniel Parisi (Chairman), Edward Duell, Rex Myers

Members Absent: Joe Stimac, Tim Kiessling

Others Present: Town Engineer, Jim Thompson of Buck & Buck, Town Attorney, Joe

Ryan, and Peter Williams, WPCA Administrator.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Daniel Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. CITIZENS FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

III. PUBLIC HEARING

Chairman Parisi opened the Public Hearing at 7:02 p.m. and read the Notice regarding the sewer benefit assessment charges for the following properties:

083-003-000 Somers Road, \$82,713. Keith Kloter, Family Trustee, was present for the meeting and does not feel that the assessment is accurate due to wetlands on property.

298 & 306 Somers Road, \$6,785 & \$11,760. Keith Ballasy was present. 298 has been converted to commercial. 306 is 600 ft off of the road and is a residential property. The board had let Ballasy know that the land is available to be built as commercial and if his septic fails that he would be required to hook up to the sewer.

304 Somers Road, \$18,165. No one present.

083-006-000 Somers Road, \$93,774. No one present.

322 & 324 Somers Road, \$9,840 & \$10,177. Scott Limberger was present. He felt that the prices were high. Both properties have acreage and location in each zone.

328 Somers Road, \$288,674. Mr. Ludwig had spoken with Mr. Williams in the afternoon. On the last grand list it was noted that it is farmland. Request benefit assessment not be paid until land is developed.

- 105-001-0000 Somers Road, \$56,393. No one present.
- 354 Somers Road, \$43,290. No one present.
- 360 Somers Road, \$722,746. Larry Deroser had turned over to attorney and they will review it with the town.
- 368 Somers Road, \$47,055. Dave Rice was present. Agrees with Scott Limberger.
- 380 Somers Road, \$20,792. No one present.
- 398 Somers Road, \$19,150. No one present.
- 406 Somers Road, \$10,177. No one present.
- 408 Somers Road, \$16,086. No one present.
- 420 Somers Road, \$6,912. No one present.
- 142-001-0000 Somers Road, \$10,506. No one present.
- 092-1000-0000 Somers Road, No assessment (roadway).
- 4 & 6 Industrial Drive, \$25,935. No one present.
- 5 Industrial Drive, \$12,147. No one present.
- 7 Industrial Drive, \$15,977. No one present.
- 10 Industrial Drive, \$28,671. No one present.
- 45 Meadow Brook Road, \$221,000. No one present.
- 61 Meadow Brook Road, \$107,143. No one present.
- 77 Meadow Brook Road, \$50,946. No one present.
- 105-002-0001 Meadow Brook Road, \$11,827. No one present.
- 85 Meadow Brook Road. \$14,116. No one present.

MOTION (MYERS), SECONDED DUELL AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 7:35 P.M.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Facilities Plan- Transfer of all water readings are in progress. Missing data on commercial and apartments. The data that the assessor has on apartments were not in proper formats. Rhonda is working on that now.

The flow study of streets that Santini built was about 50 gallons per bedroom per day. Autumn Chase use per bedroom was under 50. Usage flow is low and it is 100% metered.

Lots that are surrounded by sewers and do not receive sewer/water bills will be looked into. Staff will be making sure that everyone who is hooked up will be accounted for.

2. Airport Extension - The WPCA reviewed two bills that were presented as final airport invoices.

Carrier - \$160,605.71 and Buck & Buck - \$9,885

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (MYERS) TO APPROVEL FOR PAYMENT THE INVOICES: CARRIER - \$160,605.71 AND BUCK & BUCK - \$9,885. AND PASSED UNAMINOUSLY

3. Water Softener Backwash- The WPCA received a report from Jim Thompson on the samples taken at the Crystal Lake Pump station. He will revise it to show the condition of solids before a response is sent to Safford on their concerns with backwash solids.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Vernon Nitrogen Reduction Program**- this program is starting up. A notice has been received, letting us know that our portion of the cost will be forthcoming.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- 1. Budget Report- Peter talked to Nick and was told how much reserve funds that the WPCA has and the bills that they owe. The reserves that are put away corresponds with debt. A complete review of the 2008-09 budgets will be done at the next meeting.
- 2. **Design, Construction, & Maintenance Reports-** reports have been distributed. At this time construction activity is low with a few permits every month.

Attorney Ryan spoke to the WPCA about adopting criteria for the sewer benefits assessment as the first step in setting each property's benefit assessment. Items of concern: properties that have farmland, will the WPCA charge interest on a deferred payment? Need to put that in policy. Regarding wetlands, what should be deducted if it cuts off access to property? Should BA be reduced or can wetlands be relocated?

3. Approval of Minutes

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (MYERS) AND PASSED UNIAMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 18, 2008.

VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

MOTION (DUELL) SECONDED (MYERS) TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:25 P.M. WITH THE PURPOSE OF CONTRACT STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATIONS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION (MYERS) SECONDED (DUELL) TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:44 P.M AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION (MYERS) SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:44 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Cosman